

WASHINGTON - Rep. Lee Terry (R-NE) today announced that the Chaplain of the U.S. House of Representatives, Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, invited Pastor Curt Dodd, Senior Pastor of Westside Church in Omaha , to serve as Guest Chaplain on Wednesday, April 13, 2005.

As Guest Chaplain, Pastor Dodd offered the opening prayer in the House of Representatives, which convened at 10:00 a.m. EST.

"Pastor Dodd is a commendable representative of the values we honor in the Second District," Terry said. "His invitation to serve as Guest Chaplain in the House of Representatives is a well-deserved honor. My wife and our three young sons are privileged to attend Westside Church in Omaha and see Dr. Dodd's inspired leadership first-hand. It was great to hear Pastor Dodd share his encouraging words and vision with my colleagues in Washington ."

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Terry requested an invitation for Pastor Dodd earlier this year.

Pastor Dodd will receive a certificate from the Office of the Chaplain in addition to having his opening prayer memorialized in the Congressional Record. The opening prayer was broadcast

live on C-SPAN. Terry attended the opening prayer and made a statement on the floor of the House of Representatives recognizing Pastor Dodd's ministry and service.

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